

BLACKSBURG POLICE DEPARTMENT

News Release

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SUBJECT: Structure Fire

Two people were injured in an early morning mobile home fire in Blacksburg.

Police, fire and rescue units responded to lot 125 Clayton Estates at 5:26 a.m. and found the structure over half involved. One resident had escaped. The other had made it to the porch, which was also burning, before he collapsed. He was pulled from danger by the first two responding police officers. Both were treated by rescue personnel and airlifted to a burn center by Lifeguard 10.

Blacksburg Fire Department members were able to control the fire after a short period but the structure was listed as a total loss at \$15,000.00. Fire and police officials have ruled the fire accidental based upon statements from the victims and the preliminary investigation.

The injured residents were identified as:

Steven R. Cook, age 32

Duane T. Duncan, age 39